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CODE ENFORCEMENT REMINDS NCAA BASKETBALL FANS TO CHECK BEFORE YOU BUY

INDIANAPOLIS – With the upcoming NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Midwest Regional, the Department of Code Enforcement (DCE), in partnership with the NCAA and Indiana Sports Corp, would like to remind all basketball game attendees to be aware of the sale of any tickets, including possible counterfeit tickets, from unlicensed ticket brokers. All ticket brokers appropriately licensed for this weekend's upcoming games will carry Licensed Ticket Broker credentials featuring the insignia of DCE, the NCAA, and other security measures. Citizens and visitors should ask to see such credentials, prior to making any street ticket purchases.

In an effort to protect citizens and visitors, during this weekend's events, DCE inspectors will utilize undercover operations to enforce unlicensed ticket sale activity. Unlicensed ticket sale activity is defined as any person(s) selling tickets for more than 15 percent above face value within a one mile radius of the event. Such activity can carry a fine of up to \$2,500 and tickets may be confiscated by the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department.

Please note, on Thursday, March 27, 2014, all team practices are open and free to the public – no ticket(s) required.

For more information regarding licensing for this weekend's events, please visit: http://www.indy.gov/eGov/City/DCE/Permits/Special/Documents/2014/2014 NCAA Regional Guide.pdf

The mission of the Department of Code Enforcement (DCE) is to improve the quality of life in the City of Indianapolis through strategic application of civil code regulation; effective licensing, permitting, inspection, enforcement, and abatement practices; and local government oversight of property safety and maintenance, business, event, professional, and construction industries.

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